

Amendment No. 1 to SB0740

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 740*

House Bill No. 1273

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-13-106(a), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (1) and adding the following language as subdivision (2):

(2) A charter school may be formed to provide quality educational options for children with disabilities, as defined in § 49-10-102, for children who have specific academic needs, or for a single sex. The enrollment in such charter schools may be limited to those students who meet admissions criteria, including academic admissions criteria, set by the charter school. Notwithstanding subdivision (b)(1)(C), the restriction of the school to a group of children as specified in this subdivision (a)(2) shall not reduce the score of the charter school's application if the charter school demonstrates other strengths or focuses, as provided in subdivision (b)(1)(E).

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-13-113, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection:

Subsections (b)–(d) shall not apply to a charter school formed to provide quality educational options for students under § 49-13-106(a)(2). A student who is admitted to and remains enrolled in the charter school shall not be required to reapply from year-to-year.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.